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Maiden Trip.

The new Boston sch. James W. Parker, Capt. Joseph Cass, of this city, sailed on her maiden trip haddocking this forenoon. Good luck to her.

Halibut Sale.

The fare of sch. Squanto sold to the New England Fish Company at 12 cents per pound for white and 8 cents for gray.

Squid on Peter's Bank.

Capt. Daniel McDonald of sch. Squanto reports lots of squid on St. Peter's bank. In a few hours he got all he wanted for his whole trip, and says that in 24 hours he could have jigged 200 barrels. He says that they schooled both night and day and he never saw them so plenty. Capt. McDonald also reports lots of bad weather on Quero Bank the past three weeks and on Sunday they had a regular gale.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Theresa and Alice, via Boston.
Sch. Emily Cooney, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Minerva, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, shore.
Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, shore.
Sch. Canopus, 10,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Vesta, 15,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. M. Madleine, 30,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Sylph, pollocking.
Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 20,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, pollocking.
Sch. W. H. Moody, Georges, 15,000 lbs. salt cod, 2000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Motor, pollocking.
Sch. Appomattox, pollocking.
Sch. Estelle S. Nunan, pollocking.
Sch. Braganza, pollocking.
Sch. Lucy E, pollocking.
Sch. Georgianna, pollocking.
Sch. S. L. Foster, pollocking.
Sch. Jennie Gilbert, pollocking.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, pollocking.
Sch. Galatea, pollocking.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore.
Sch. Genesta, shore.
Sch. Alena L. Young, shore.
Sch. Zephyr, pollocking.
Sch. Rapidan, pollocking.
Sch. William H. Cross, pollocking.
Sch. Bertha M. Bailey, pollocking.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, pollocking.
Sch. Mattaconiet, pollocking.
Sch. Maud M. Story, pollocking.
Sch. John M. Keen, shore.
Sch. Bertha M. Miller, shore.
Sch. Mary Cabral, via Boston.
Sch. Olympia, pollocking.
Sloop Maxwell, pollocking.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.
Salt handline Georges codfish, \$5.12 1-2 per cwt. for large, \$4 for medium.
Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$5 for large, \$4.00 for medium.
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.50 for large, \$4 for medium, \$3.00 for snappers.
Salt Rips codfish, \$5 for large, \$4 for medium.
Salt hake, \$1.75.
Salt pollock, \$1.50.
Salt haddock, \$1.75.
Salt cusk, \$2.50.
Fresh large codfish, \$2.50, medium do., \$1.75.
Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.

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Fresh haddock, \$1.20.
Fresh hake, \$1.20.
Fresh cusk, \$1.75.
Fresh pollock, 90 cents.
Large salt mackerel, \$30 per bbl.
Salt small mackerel, \$14 per bbl.
Flitch halibut, 6 cts. per lb.
Fresh bait herring, \$2.50 to \$3.00 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 5000 haddock, 1400 cod, 400 hake, 2500 cusk.
Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 4000 haddock, 400 cod, 600 hake.
Sch. Mary Cabral, 3000 haddock, 3000 cod, 8000 hake.
Sch. Grace Darling, 14,000 pollock.
Haddock, \$2.75 to \$2.90; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$2.75 to \$2.90; hake, \$1.40 to \$1.50; pollock, \$1.25; cusk, \$1.

Mackerel News.

Steamer Angelia B. Nickerson seized 15 barrels of mackerel and 25 barrels of herring in Boston Bay Tuesday and landed them at Provincetown.

The mackerel prospect off Provincetown continues to improve, says the Provincetown Advocate.

Capt. Sears and crew of the mackerel sloop Dart, now fishing to the southward, were home at Provincetown recently. They were quite encouraged by the mackerel fishing prospects south. It was stated during their brief home stay that his crew had shared \$190 each since going south, with quite a good sum to divide as representing fish for which no returns have been received.

The Betsy Ross was said to have had three good fishing days, at least, south, taking 18 barrels one day and 20 and 30 barrels on two succeeding days, these lots being taken with a "grab-devil."

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. S. F. Maker was at Canso on Wednesday.

Bait News.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton is in port this morning, bound for South Channel. She secured 40 bushels of bait at Boothbay Harbor.
Schs. Matchless, Preceptor, Dictator, Ellen C. Burke, Lizzie M. Stanley and Marsala were at the weirs of John L. Stanley & Son on Thursday for bait. The Marsala found good fishing on Georges and got 15,000 pounds of large cod on her first baiting.

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SALT HERRING FLEET.

Will Probably Be Smaller Than Last Season.

The Newfoundland herring fleet from this port will probably not number quite as many sail as last season. Thus far the following vessels have sailed: Schs. Carrie W. Babson, Meteor, Senator Gardner, Tattler, Dora A. Lawson, Parthia, Robin Hood, Jennie B. Hodgdon, Henry M. Stanley, A. M. Nicholson, Edna Wallace Hopper, Maxine Elliott, Atlanta and Dauntless.

Sch. Ralph F. Hodgdon of Lubec has also sailed.

Schs. Gossip, Lawrence A. Munroe, George Parker, Lewis H. Giles, Georgie Campbell, Oregon, Independence II, and Corsair are fitting and sch. Colonial will fit as soon as her salt cod fare is discharged. Others will also fit soon.

Good Trip.

Sch. Titania, Capt. Archie Selig, arrived Sunday with a good fare of 100,000 pounds of fresh fish. Capt. Selig has made a good start, this being his first trip as master of a big vessel.

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To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Titania, Cashes, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Maryland, Newfoundland Coast, 30,000 lbs. salt fish.
Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, 9000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Nickomis, shore, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Gardner W. Tarr, pollocking.
Sch. A. T. Gifford, pollocking.
Sch. Galatea, 25,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Edward A. Rich, 35,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Ralph Russell, 30,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Lafayette, 14,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. M. J. Sewall, Beals, Me., 400 q's. cured fish.
Sch. Lillian, Southwest Harbor, Me., 800 q's. cured fish.
Sch. Fortuna, McKinley, Me., 600 q's. cured fish.
Sch. Myra Sears, New Harbor, Me., 700 q's. cured fish.
Sch. Laura and Marion, Cundy's Harbor, Me., 1200 q's. cured fish.
Sch. Emma W. Brown, pollocking.
Sch. Jubilee, pollocking.

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Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.

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Fresh bait herring, \$2.50 to \$3.00 per bbl.

Boston

Sch. Jessie Costa, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, 7000 haddock, 8000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Eva Avina, 10,000 pollock.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 5000 haddock, 5000 cod.
Sch. F. W. Homans, 25,000 pollock.
Sch. Venus, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Fish Hawk, 20,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Emily Cooney, 9000 haddock, 2000 cod, 25,000 hake.
Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, 50,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 6000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 20,000 hake, 20,000 cusk, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Catherine Burke, 60,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Teresa and Alice, 25,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 6000 hake, 7000 cusk.
Sch. Tecumseh, 25,000 haddock, 7000 cod.
Sch. Gertrude, 5000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 20,000 cusk, 3000 halibut.
Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 30,000 pollock.
Haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2.30 to \$3.50; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$2; halibut 18 cts.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Ella M. Goodwin and Olga were at Liverpool on Friday.

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Secretary Root States Fishing Rights in Telegram.

NEWFOUNDLAND WILL RECEDE.

Despatch to Gardner Fully Sustains Gloucester's Claims.

The clincher in the Treaty Coast herring controversy, which has held the stage centre at Washington, Newfoundland and this city for some time, was put on yesterday, when Congressman Gardner, at his summer home at Hamilton, received a long telegram from Secretary of State Elihu Root, which is so explicit as to admit of no misunderstanding and makes doubly sure that as far as interference from official Newfoundland is concerned, the American fishing vessels, operating on the Treaty Coast are practically secure against any and all trouble.

The secretary touches on each and every disputed point and shows clearly that on the decision made, the state department and British government are agreed, and the message would also seem to show clearly that Premier Bond has receded from his position taken last April and which he has strongly asserted up to the present time, and which is too well known to need repetition at this time.

On the receipt of this message, Congressman Gardner immediately telephoned the good news to the Board of Trade and also to Mr. Benjamin A. Smith of the firm of David B. Smith & Co., and this morning that firm, as well as others, sent telegrams to their skippers at Bay of Islands and Bonne Bay, notifying them exactly what their rights are, what they can and what they cannot do.

The despatch of the secretary of state practically is in line with what he has before stated and the only warning it contains, and one which of course was expected, is that men belonging in Newfoundland cannot be shipped within the three mile limit. The despatch was as follows:

"Washington, D. C., Oct. 22, 1903.

"Hon. A. P. Gardner, Hamilton, Mass.

"Dear Sir:—This department is advised by the British ambasador, on the authority of a telegram to him from the governor of Newfoundland, that no Newfoundland official is preventing American vessels from fishing on

the treaty coast; that no distinction is being drawn between registered and licensed vessels, and that the local officers in Newfoundland have been told that American captains must not engage crews off the Newfoundland coast to fish for them, but no objection is made to their using the nets themselves.

"You may advise your constituents in Gloucester, in order that they may inform their captains on the treaty coast, that any prohibitions which there may have been by Newfoundland officers against fishing by registered vessels can now be ignored, and American vessels, whether registered or licensed, may proceed to take any kind of fish.

"If any vessel has in its crew any men shipped within three miles of the Newfoundland coast, such men should be discharged.

Elihu Root."

The message sent by Mr. Smith to his skippers reads as follows:

"Secretary of state telegraphs to Congressman Gardner that any prohibition by local Newfoundland officials against fishing in registered vessels can be ignored. He also directs that if any vessel has in its crew men shipped within three miles of the Newfoundland coast such men shall be discharged.

Benjamin A. Smith."

Other vessel owners here will also send the same message.

HELD BIG MEETING.

Hon. A. B. Morine Spoke to Bay of Island Fishermen.

Many Fishermen Going to Sydney To Ship.

At Birchy Cove, Bay of Islands, N. F., last night, Hon. A. B. Morine, leader of the opposition to Premier Bond in the Newfoundland parliament, made a big speech to the inhabitants and fishermen gathered there from other parts of the coast. The meeting was one of the largest ever held at Birchy Cove and much enthusiasm was displayed.

Mr. Morine has been at Bay of Islands for several weeks sizing up the whole situation and has previously expressed himself on the side of the fishermen. In many quarters he is mentioned as the probable opponent of Bond for premier at the next election.

A telegram from Bonne Bay, N. F., yesterday says that the run of herring has not begun there in good shape as yet. There are some small pods of herring in the bay now but the big school has not yet struck up the coast.

A letter to the TIMES from Birchy Cove dated Wednesday states that no startling changes have taken place there recently in the herring situation. The first herring struck there on Tuesday and a number of Lunenburg and other Nova Scotia vessels caught from 12 to 44 barrels each. The catch of the American vessels, Carrie W. Babson and Dora A. Lawson, which were fishing up off Woody Island, could not be learned.

Sch. Meteor left there a week ago for Sydney, and when last heard from was at Port au Port bay.

There seemed to be considerable confusion at Birchy Cove regarding the right of American vessels under register to fish for herring. According to Hon. E. Dawe, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and Mr. J. O'Reilly, Inspector in the Revenue Protection Service, American vessels under a register have no right to catch herring. As the bait act is being fully enforced, a vessel under American register, according to the interpretation of the Newfoundland officials, has no right to fish.

Of course since this letter was written, our government has given its interpretation of what the rights of American vessels are on the Treaty coast, and this was not known there at the time the letter was written.

A despatch from Birchy Cove last night states that the cutter Fiona has moved up into Middle Arm and that there was to be a big meeting addressed by Hon. A. B. Morine that evening.

Another despatch states that the meeting was the greatest thing ever held at Bay of Islands and that great enthusiasm was displayed.

A North Sydney despatch in the Halifax Herald of Thursday says:

"Tonight North Sydney is thronged with Newfoundland fishermen from Bay of Islands Bonne Bay, and other parts of the western coast, who have come here by the steamer Bruce in order to ship as crews of Gloucester schooners now in port. The people of these parts of Newfoundland, now that they are forbidden to sell herring to the American Bankers, see starvation staring them in the face, as they have been in the habit of receiving their winter's supplies as a result of the fall herring fisheries.

"The Treaty of 1818 allows American schooners to fish but not to buy and schooners manned with expert Newfoundland shore fishermen will leave this port to prosecute the fisheries at Bay of Islands and elsewhere.

"Meanwhile the Newfoundland government cruiser Fiona is at Bonne Bay and it is somewhat doubtful how this method of evading the Bait Act will be regarded. The extra crews of the Gloucester vessels are signing here before United States Consul West."

The Western Star, Bay of Islands, of Wednesday says:

"Herring first made their appearance in the Harbour Arm yesterday morning. Some good catches were secured. We understand all who had nets out did well. Several dory loads were secured at the upper part of the Arm. The fishery has opened this year about the same date as it did last year. Several American vessels have arrived, and are catching their own cargoes. There are also several Lunenburg, N. S., vessels in port. We have been informed that some of the Lunenburg vessels are likely to follow the example of the Americans, and try and catch their own cargoes. Herring have been reported at Woods Island and other places out the bay during the past week."

DROP IN HAKE.

Price Will Probably Be \$1.10 Per Cwt. on Monday.

Unless all signs fail, the price of fresh hake will be dropped on Monday to \$1.10 per hundred weight. It is understood, in the absence of any regular meetings now of the fisheries committee of the Board of Trade, that the big buying firms have, after talking over the matter over the telephone, decided upon the above price and agree to pay it, beginning on Monday.

CAPT. JACOBS HOME.

Brings News of State of Affairs at Bay of Islands and Sydney.

Capt. Solomon Jacobs, owner of sch. A. M. Nicholson, which is now at Bay of Islands, N. F., for a salt herring cargo under command of Capt. William Cluett, who went as far as Port au Basques, N. F., arrived home yesterday, coming via North Sydney.

Capt. Jacobs says that schs. A. M. Nicholson, Maxine Elliott, Tattler, Jennie B. Hodgdon, Henry M. Stanley and Dora A. Lawson shipped 200 fishermen at North Sydney, C. B., before the United States consul there and then proceeded to Bay of Islands for salt herring fares.

Since the news of the decided stand of Secretary Root was learned at Newfoundland, the attitude of the Newfoundland opponents to the Americans has calmed down, but Capt. Jacobs is not so sure but what there may be some attempted net cutting and destruction of gear by the native fishermen at Bay of Islands, who will not like the idea of sitting idly by and seeing Americans doing the fishing. He advocates the sending of an American cutter there to prevent any possible depredations.

Capt. Jacobs also says that some of the American captains were apprehensive of possible trouble of this kind, and while at Sydney made a request of the British government to despatch a war craft to prevent depredations.

Capt. Jacobs thinks that sch. Dora A. Lawson would be the first of the fleet home, as several vessels' crews were working to load her. He is thinking of taking a late Cape Shore mackerel seining trip.